

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION  
11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
concerning

**TENTATIVE ORDER  
AMENDING WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
ORDER R5-2016-0045-01 (NPDES CA0085146)  
FOR  
BEAR VALLEY WATER DISTRICT  
BEAR VALLEY WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY  
ALPINE COUNTY**

Bear Valley Water District (Discharger) is the owner and operator of the Bear Valley Wastewater Treatment Facility (Facility), a publicly owned treatment works located at 441 Creekside Drive, Bear Valley, California. The Facility provides sewerage services for the communities of Bear Valley, Bear Valley Mountain Resort, and Lake Alpine/United States Forest Service, serving a population of approximately 121 permanent residents as well as seasonal users. The Facility provides secondary treatment for up to 0.50 million gallons per day (MGD).

Order R5-2016-0045-01 (NPDES Permit) authorizes the seasonal (1 January through 30 June) surface water discharge of up to 2.5 MGD and an average monthly effluent flow of 1.0 MGD of disinfected secondary treated wastewater to Bloods Creek, a water of the United States and a tributary to the North Fork Stanislaus River. NPDES Permit requirements specify discharges to Bloods Creek may only occur when there is 20:1 dilution in the receiving water.

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) proposes to amend Order R5-2016-0045-01 as follows: 1) reduce effluent monitoring to weekly for biochemical oxygen demand, total suspended solids, ammonia nitrogen, electrical conductivity, settleable solids, temperature, total coliform organisms, and turbidity when discharging to Bloods Creek; and 2) require receiving water monitoring only when discharging to Bloods Creek.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 5/6 December 2019

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Room  
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Bear Valley Water District Representatives

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Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m. on 16 October 2019**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board email

[RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov) no later than **5:00 p.m. on 16 October 2019**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **5:00 p.m. on 16 October 2019** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board Chair. Any person requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that accepting the late submission will not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any Designated Party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the hearing item should contact Danielle Goode at (916) 464-4843 or [danielle.goode@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:danielle.goode@waterboards.ca.gov). Interested persons may contact Danielle Goode to obtain a copy of the tentative amending Order and related documents. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. **The final meeting agenda ([http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_info/meetings/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/)) will be available at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order.**

The [procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/) ([http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws\\_regulations/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/)) may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. [Information regarding meeting and hearing procedures](#) is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website ([http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml)) or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916)

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464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

*ORIGINAL SIGNED BY JAMES MARSHALL FOR*  
ADAM LAPUTZ, Assistant Executive Officer  
16 September 2019